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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Paul Shirley et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR A TWO-STEP RESIST SOFT
BAKE TO PREVENT ILD
OUTGASSING DURING
SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING

§ Group Art Unit: 2823
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§ Examiner: Toledo, Fernando L.
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 9, 2005**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 9, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: